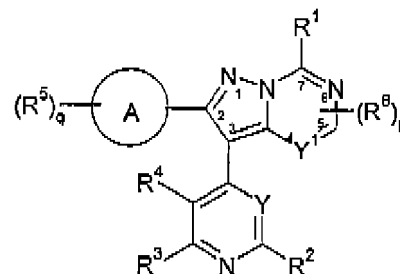


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In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 4-5 and 27. Please amend claims as follows 1, 22, 26 and 28.

1. (Currently Amended) A compound of formula (I):



wherein:

R^1 is selected from the group consisting of H, halo, alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, cycloalkyl, cycloalkenyl, Ay, Het, $-C(O)R^9$, $-C(O)Ay$, $-C(O)Het$, $-CO_2R^9$, $-C(O)NR^7R^8$, $-C(O)NR^7Ay$, $-C(S)NR^9R^{11}$, $-C(NH)NR^7R^8$, $-C(NH)NR^7Ay$, $-OR^7$, $-O Ay$, $-OHet$, $-NR^7R^8$, $-NR^7Ay$, $-NHHet$, $-S(O)_nR^9$, $-S(O)_nAy$, $-S(O)_nHet$, $-S(O)_2NR^7R^8$, $-S(O)_2NR^7Ay$, $-R^{10}$ cycloalkyl, $-R^{10}Ay$, $-R^{10}Het$, $-R^{10}OR^9$, $-R^{10}NR^7R^8$, $-R^{10}NR^7Ay$, $-R^{10}NHSO_2R^9$, $-R^{10}C(O)R^9$, $-R^{10}C(O)Ay$, $-R^{10}C(O)Het$, $-R^{10}CO_2R^9$, $-R^{10}OC(O)R^9$, $-R^{10}OC(O)Ay$, $-R^{10}OC(O)Het$, $-R^{10}C(O)NR^9R^{11}$, $-R^{10}C(O)NR^7Ay$, $-R^{10}C(O)NHR^{10}Het$, $-R^{10}C(S)NR^9R^{11}$, $-R^{10}C(NH)NR^9R^{11}$, $-R^{10}SO_2R^9$, $-R^{10}SO_2NR^9R^{11}$, $-R^{10}SO_2NHCOR^9$, $-R^{10}OS(O)_nR^9$, cyano, nitro and azido;

each R^7 and R^8 are the same or different and are independently selected from the group consisting of H, alkyl, cycloalkyl, alkenyl, cycloalkenyl, $-C(O)R^9$, $-CO_2R^9$, $-C(O)NR^9R^{11}$, $-C(S)NR^9R^{11}$, $-C(NH)NR^9R^{11}$, $-SO_2R^{10}$, $-SO_2NR^9R^{11}$, $-R^{10}$ cycloalkyl, $-R^{10}Ay$, $-R^{10}Het$, $-R^{10}C(O)R^9$, $-R^{10}CO_2R^9$, $-R^{10}C(O)NR^9R^{11}$, $-R^{10}C(S)NR^9R^{11}$, $-R^{10}OR^9$, $-R^{10}NR^9R^{11}$, $-R^{10}NHCOR^9$, $-R^{10}NHC(NH)NR^9R^{11}$, $-R^{10}C(NH)NR^9R^{11}$, $-R^{10}NHSO_2R^9$, $-R^{10}SO_2NR^9R^{11}$, $-R^{10}SO_2R^{10}$ and $-R^{10}SO_2NHCOR^9$;

each R^9 and R^{11} are the same or different and are independently selected from the group consisting of H, alkyl, cycloalkyl, $-R^{10}$ cycloalkyl, $-R^{10}OH$, $-R^{10}(OR^{10})_w$ where w is 1-10, and $-R^{10}NR^{10}R^{10}$;

each R^{10} is the same or different and is independently selected from the group consisting of alkyl, cycloalkyl, alkenyl, cycloalkenyl, and alkynyl;

n is 0, 1 or 2;

Ay is aryl;

Het is a 5- or 6-membered heterocyclic or heteroaryl group;

Y^1 is ~~N~~ or CH;

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p is 0, 1 or 2 when Y¹ is CH,

p is 0 or 1 when Y¹ is N;

each R⁶ is the same or different and is independently selected from the group

consisting of H, halo, alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, cycloalkyl, cycloalkenyl, Ay, Het, -C(O)R⁹, -C(O)Ay, -C(O)Het, -CO₂R⁹, -C(O)NR⁷R⁸, -C(O)NR⁷Ay, -C(S)NR⁹R¹¹, -C(NH)NR⁷R⁸, -C(NH)NR⁷Ay, -OR⁷, -OAy, -OHet, -NR⁷R⁸, -NR⁷Ay, -NHHet, -S(O)_nR⁹, -S(O)_nAy, -S(O)_nHet, -S(O)₂NR⁷R⁸, -S(O)₂NR⁷Ay, -R¹⁰cycloalkyl, -R¹⁰Ay, -R¹⁰Het, -R¹⁰OR⁹, -R¹⁰NR⁷R⁸, -R¹⁰NR⁷Ay, -R¹⁰NHSO₂R⁹, -R¹⁰C(O)R⁹, -R¹⁰C(O)Ay, -R¹⁰C(O)Het, -R¹⁰CO₂R⁹, -R¹⁰OC(O)R⁹, -R¹⁰OC(O)Ay, -R¹⁰OC(O)Het, -R¹⁰C(O)NR⁹R¹¹, -R¹⁰C(O)NR⁷Ay, -R¹⁰C(O)NHR¹⁰Het, -R¹⁰C(S)NR⁹R¹¹, -R¹⁰C(NH)NR⁹R¹¹, -R¹⁰SO₂R⁹, -R¹⁰SO₂NR⁹R¹¹, -R¹⁰SO₂NHCOR⁹, -R¹⁰OS(O)_nR⁹, cyano, nitro and azido;

or when p is 2, two adjacent R⁶ groups together with the carbon atoms to which they are bonded form a cycloalkyl or a 5- or 6-membered heterocyclic group containing 1 or 2 heteroatoms;

Y is N or CH;

R² is selected from the group consisting of halo, alkyl, cycloalkyl, alkenyl,

cycloalkenyl, Ay, Het, -OR⁷, -OAy, -OHet, -NR⁷R⁸, -NR⁷Ay, -NHHet, -S(O)_nR⁹, -S(O)_nAy, -R¹⁰NR⁷R⁸ and -R¹⁰NR⁷Ay;

R³ and R⁴ are the same or different and are each independently selected from the

group consisting of H, halo, alkyl, alkenyl, cycloalkyl, Ay, Het, -C(O)R⁷, C(O)Ay, -CO₂R⁷, -CO₂Ay, -OR⁷, -OAy, -NR⁷R⁸, -NR⁷Ay, -NHHet, -SO₂NHR⁹, -R¹⁰OR⁷, -R¹⁰cycloalkyl, -R¹⁰OAy, -R¹⁰NR⁷R⁸ and -R¹⁰NR⁷Ay;

Ring A is selected from the group consisting of aryl, 5-10 membered heterocyclic group and a 5-10 membered heteroaryl group;

q is 0, 1, 2, 3, 4 or 5; and

each R⁵ is the same or different and is independently selected from the group

consisting of halo, alkyl, alkenyl, alkynyl, cycloalkyl, cycloalkenyl, Ay, Het, -C(O)R⁹, -C(O)Ay, -C(O)Het, -CO₂R⁹, -C(O)NR⁷R⁸, -C(O)NR⁷Ay, -C(S)NR⁹R¹¹, -C(NH)NR⁷R⁸, -C(NH)NR⁷Ay, -OR⁷, -OAy, -OHet, -NR⁷R⁸, -NR⁷Ay, -NHHet, -S(O)_nR⁹, -S(O)₂NR⁷R⁸, -S(O)₂NR⁷Ay, -R¹⁰cycloalkyl, -R¹⁰Het, -R¹⁰C(O)R⁹, -R¹⁰CO₂R⁹, -R¹⁰C(O)NR⁹R¹¹, -R¹⁰C(O)NR⁷Ay, -R¹⁰C(O)NHR¹⁰Het, -R¹⁰C(S)NR⁹R¹¹, -R¹⁰C(NH)NR⁹R¹¹, -R¹⁰OR⁹, -R¹⁰NR⁷R⁸, -R¹⁰NR⁷Ay, -R¹⁰SO₂R⁹, -R¹⁰SO₂NR⁹R¹¹, -R¹⁰SO₂NHCOR⁹, cyano, nitro and

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azido; or

a pharmaceutically acceptable salt, solvate or physiologically functional derivative thereof.

2. (Original) The compound according to claim 1 wherein R^1 is selected from the group consisting of halo, alkyl, cycloalkyl, Ay, Het, $-OR^7$, $-OAY$, $-NR^7R^8$, $-NR^7AY$, $-NHHet$, $-S(O)_nR^9$, $-R^{10}cycloalkyl$, $-R^{10}OR^9$, $-R^{10}NR^7R^8$ and $-R^{10}NR^7AY$.
3. (Original) The compound according to claim 1 wherein R^1 is selected from the group consisting of alkyl, Het, $-OR^7$, $-NR^7R^8$, $-NR^7AY$ and $-S(O)_nR^9$.
- 4-5. (Canceled).
6. (Previously Presented) The compound according to claim 1 wherein p is 0 or 1.
7. (Previously Presented) The compound according to claim 1 wherein each R^6 is the same or different and is independently selected from the group consisting of halo, alkyl, Ay, Het, $-C(O)Het$, $-CO_2R^9$, $-C(O)NR^7R^8$, $-C(O)NR^7AY$, $-OR^7$, $-OAY$, $-NR^7R^8$, $-NR^7AY$, $-NHHet$, $-S(O)_nR^9$, $-S(O)_nAY$, $-S(O)_nHet$, $-R^{10}OR^9$ and cyano.
8. (Previously Presented) The compound according to claim 1 wherein each R^6 is the same or different and is independently selected from the group consisting of halo, alkyl, Het, $-NR^7R^8$, $-NHHet$ and $-S(O)_nR^9$.
9. (Previously Presented) The compound according claim 1 wherein Y is CH.
10. (Previously Presented) The compound according to claim 1 wherein Y is N.
11. (Previously Presented) The compound according to claim 1 wherein R^2 is selected from the group consisting of Ay, Het, $-OR^7$, $-OAY$, $-OHet$, $-NR^7R^8$, $-NR^7AY$, $-NHHet$, $-S(O)_nR^9$, $-S(O)_nAY$, $-R^{10}NR^7R^8$ and $-R^{10}NR^7AY$.

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12. (Previously Presented) The compound according to claim 1 wherein R^2 is selected from the group consisting of $-NR^7R^8$, $-NR^7Ay$ and $-NHHet$.
13. (Previously Presented) The compound according to claim 1 wherein R^3 and R^4 are the same or different and are each independently selected from the group consisting of H, halo, alkyl, Ay, $-CO_2R^7$, $-OR^7$, $-NR^7R^8$, $-R^{10}OR^7$ and $-R^{10}NR^7R^8$.
14. (Previously Presented) The compound according to claim 1 wherein R^3 and R^4 are both H.
15. (Previously Presented) The compound according to claim 1 wherein Ring A is selected from the group consisting of aryl, a 5-6 membered heterocyclic or heteroaryl group and a 9-membered heterocyclic or heteroaryl group.
16. (Previously Presented) The compound according to claim 1 wherein Ring A is selected from the group consisting of phenyl, naphthyl, furan, pyridine, pyrimidine, thiazol, pyrazine, pyrrole, imidazole, oxazole, benzimidazole, quinoline, isoquinoline and quinoxoline.
17. (Previously Presented) The compound according to claim 1 wherein Ring A is selected from the group consisting of phenyl, furan, pyridine and pyrimidine.
18. (Previously Presented) The compound according to claim 1 wherein Ring A is phenyl.
19. (Previously Presented) The compound according to claim 1 wherein q is 0, 1 or 2.
20. (Previously Presented) The compound according to claim 1 wherein each R^5 is the same or different and is independently selected from the group consisting of halo, alkyl, alkenyl, Ay, Het, $-CO_2R^8$, $-C(O)NR^7R^8$, $-C(O)NR^7Ay$, $-OR^7$, $-OAY$, $-NR^7R^8$, $-NR^7Ay$, $-S(O)_2NR^7R^8$, cyano, nitro and azido.

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21. (Previously Presented) The compound according to claim 1, wherein each R^5 is the same or different and is independently selected from the group consisting of halo, alkyl, $-OR^7$, $-NR^7R^8$ and cyano.
22. (Currently Amended) A compound selected from the group consisting of:
- N*-Cyclopentyl-3-[2-(cyclopentylamino)pyrimidin-4-yl]-2-(4-fluorophenyl)pyrazolo[1,5-c]pyrimidin-7-amine;
 - N*-Cyclopentyl-3-[2-(cyclopropylamino)pyrimidin-4-yl]-2-(4-fluorophenyl)pyrazolo[1,5-c]pyrimidin-7-amine;
 - 4-[2-(3-Chlorophenyl)pyrazolo[1,5-c]pyrimidin-3-yl]-*N*-cyclopentylpyrimidin-2-amine;
 - 4-[2-(3-Chlorophenyl)-7-(methylthio)pyrazolo[1,5-c]pyrimidin-3-yl]-*N*-cyclopentylpyrimidin-2-amine;
 - 2-(3-Chlorophenyl)-*N*-cyclopentyl-3-[2-(cyclopentylamino)-4-pyrimidinyl]pyrazolo[1,5-c]pyrimidin-7-amine;
 - 4-[2-(3-Chlorophenyl)-7-(4-morpholinyl)pyrazolo[1,5-c]pyrimidin-3-yl]-*N*-cyclopentyl-2-pyrimidinamine;
 - 2-(3-Chlorophenyl)-3-[2-(cyclopentylamino)-4-pyrimidinyl]-*N*-(2-methoxyethyl)pyrazolo[1,5-c]pyrimidin-7-amine;
 - 2-(3-Chlorophenyl)-3-[2-(cyclopentylamino)-4-pyrimidinyl]pyrazolo[1,5-c]pyrimidin-7-ol;
 - ~~*N*-Cyclopentyl-8-(2-fluoro-4-pyridinyl)-2-(methylsulfanyl)-7-phenylpyrazolo[1,5-c][1,3,5]triazin-4-amine;~~
 - ~~*N*2,*N*4-Dicyclopentyl-8-[2-(cyclopentylamino)-4-pyridinyl]-7-phenylpyrazolo[1,5-c][1,3,5]triazin-4-amine;~~
 - ~~*N*-Cyclopentyl-8-[2-(cyclopentylamino)-4-pyridinyl]-7-phenylpyrazolo[1,5-c][1,3,5]triazin-4-amine;~~
 - 3-[2-(Butylamino)pyrimidin-4-yl]-*N*-cyclopentyl-2-(4-fluorophenyl)pyrazolo[1,5-c]pyrimidin-7-amine;
 - 3-(2-Anilinopyrimidin-4-yl)-*N*-cyclopentyl-2-(4-fluorophenyl)pyrazolo[1,5-c]pyrimidin-7-amine;
 - 3-[2-(1,3-Benzothiazol-2-ylamino)pyrimidin-4-yl]-*N*-cyclopentyl-2-(4-fluorophenyl)pyrazolo[1,5-c]pyrimidin-7-amine;
 - N*-Cyclopentyl-2-(4-fluorophenyl)-3-[2-[(4-methyl-1,3-thiazol-2-yl)amino]pyrimidin-4-yl]pyrazolo[1,5-c]pyrimidin-7-amine;

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3-[2-(1*H*-Benzimidazol-2-ylamino)pyrimidin-4-yl]-*N*-cyclopentyl-2-(4-fluorophenyl)pyrazolo[1,5-*c*]pyrimidin-7-amine;
N-Cyclopentyl-3-{2-[(4-fluorobenzyl)amino]pyrimidin-4-yl}-2-(4-fluorophenyl)pyrazolo[1,5-*c*]pyrimidin-7-amine;
N-Cyclopentyl-2-(4-fluorophenyl)-3-{2-[(2-phenylethyl)amino]pyrimidin-4-yl}pyrazolo[1,5-*c*]pyrimidin-7-amine;
3-[2-(*tert*-Butylamino)pyrimidin-4-yl]-*N*-cyclopentyl-2-(4-fluorophenyl)pyrazolo[1,5-*c*]pyrimidin-7-amine;
N-Cyclopentyl-4-[2-(4-fluorophenyl)-7-(methylsulfanyl)pyrazolo[1,5-*c*]pyrimidin-3-yl]pyrimidin-2-amine;
N-Cyclopentyl-3-[2-(cyclopentylamino)pyrimidin-4-yl]-2-(4-methoxyphenyl)pyrazolo[1,5-*c*]pyrimidin-7-amine;
4-{7-(Cyclopentylamino)-3-[2-(cyclopentylamino)pyrimidin-4-yl]pyrazolo[1,5-*c*]pyrimidin-2-yl}phenol;
3-[2-(Cyclopentylamino)pyrimidin-4-yl]-*N*-cyclopropyl-2-(4-methoxyphenyl)pyrazolo[1,5-*c*]pyrimidin-7-amine;
2-(4-Butoxyphenyl)-*N*-cyclopentyl-3-[2-(cyclopentylamino)pyrimidin-4-yl]pyrazolo[1,5-*c*]pyrimidin-7-amine;
N-Cyclopentyl-3-[2-(cyclopentylamino)pyrimidin-4-yl]-2-(4-isobutoxyphenyl)pyrazolo[1,5-*c*]pyrimidin-7-amine;
N-Cyclopentyl-3-[2-(cyclopentylamino)pyrimidin-4-yl]-2-[4-(2-methoxyethoxy)phenyl]pyrazolo[1,5-*c*]pyrimidin-7-amine;
N-Cyclopentyl-3-[2-(cyclopentylamino)pyrimidin-4-yl]-2-(4-propoxyphenyl)pyrazolo[1,5-*c*]pyrimidin-7-amine;
N-(*tert*-Butyl)-3-[2-(cyclopentylamino)pyrimidin-4-yl]-2-(4-fluorophenyl)pyrazolo[1,5-*c*]pyrimidin-7-amine;
N-Cyclopentyl-4-[2-(4-fluorophenyl)-7-pyrrolidin-1-ylpyrazolo[1,5-*c*]pyrimidin-3-yl]pyrimidin-2-amine; and
N-Cyclopentyl-4-[2-(4-fluorophenyl)-7-piperidin-1-ylpyrazolo[1,5-*c*]pyrimidin-3-yl]pyrimidin-2-amine, or
a pharmaceutically acceptable salt, solvate or physiologically functional derivative thereof.

23. (Previously Presented) A pharmaceutical composition comprising a compound according to claim 1.

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24. (Original) The pharmaceutical composition according to claim 23 further comprising a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier or diluent.

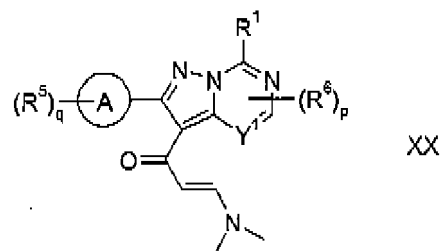
25. (Previously Presented) The pharmaceutical composition according to claim 23 further comprising an antiviral agent selected from the group consisting of aciclovir and valaciclovir.

26. (Currently Amended) A method for the ~~prophylaxis or treatment~~ of a herpes viral infection selected from herpes simplex virus 1 and herpes simplex virus 2, in an animal, said method comprising administering to the animal a therapeutically effective amount of a compound according to claim 1.

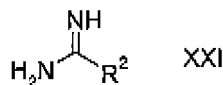
27. (Canceled)

28. (Currently Amended) A method for the ~~prophylaxis or treatment~~ of a condition or disease associated with a herpes viral infection selected from herpes simplex virus 1 and herpes simplex virus 2, in an animal, comprising administering to the animal a therapeutically effective amount of the compound of formula (I) according to claim 1.

29. (Previously Presented) A process for preparing a compound according to any claim 1 wherein Y¹ is CH; Y is N; R² is selected from the group consisting of alkyl, cycloalkyl, alkenyl, cycloalkenyl, Ay, Het, -OR⁷, -OAy, -OHet, -NR⁷R⁸, -NR⁷Ay, -NHHet, -S(O)_nR⁸, -S(O)_nAy, -R¹⁰NR⁷R⁸ and -R¹⁰NR⁷Ay; and R³ and R⁴ are H, said process comprising reacting a compound of formula (XX):

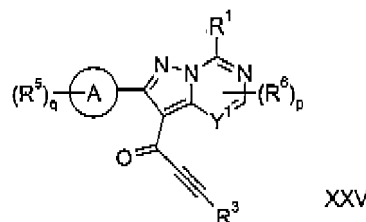


with a compound of formula (XXI):

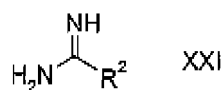


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30. (Previously Presented) A process for preparing a compound according to claim 1 wherein Y is N; R² is selected from the group consisting of alkyl, cycloalkyl, alkenyl, cycloalkenyl, Ay, Het, -OR⁷, -OAY, -OHet -NR⁷R⁸, -NR⁷AY, -NHHet -S(O)_nR⁸, -S(O)_nAY, -R¹⁰NR⁷R⁸ and -R¹⁰NR⁷AY; R³ is selected from the group consisting of H, alkyl, alkenyl, cycloalkyl, Ay, Het, -C(O)R⁷, C(O)AY, -CO₂R⁷, -CO₂AY, -OR⁷, -OAY, -NR⁷R⁸ (where R⁷ and R⁸ are not H), -NR⁷AY (where R⁷ is H), -SO₂NHR⁸, -R¹⁰OR⁷, -R¹⁰cycloalkyl, -R¹⁰OAY, -R¹⁰NR⁷R⁸ and -R¹⁰NR⁷AY; and R⁴ is H said process comprising reacting a compound of formula (XXV):

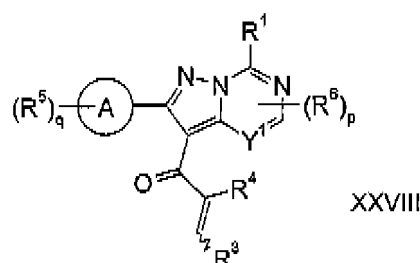


with a compound of formula (XXI):

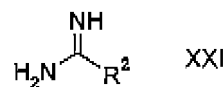


31. (Previously Presented) A process for preparing a compound according to claim 1 wherein Y is N and R² is selected from the group consisting of alkyl, cycloalkyl, alkenyl, cycloalkenyl, Ay, Het, -OR⁷, -OAY, -OHet -NR⁷R⁸, -NR⁷AY, -NHHet -S(O)_nR⁸, -S(O)_nAY, -R¹⁰NR⁷R⁸ and -R¹⁰NR⁷AY, said process comprising the steps of:

a) reacting a compound of formula (XXVIII):



with a compound of formula (XXI):

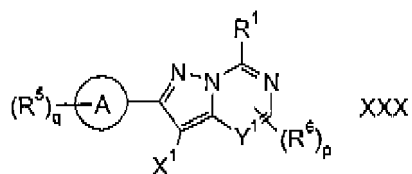


to prepare an intermediate compound; and

b) oxidizing the intermediate compound.

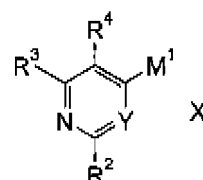
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32. (Previously Presented) A process for preparing a compound according to claim 1 comprising reacting a compound of formula (XXX):



wherein X¹ is chloro, bromo or iodo;

with a compound of formula (X):



wherein M¹ is -B(OH)₂, -B(ORa)₂, -B(Ra)₂, -Sn(Ra)₃, Zn-halide, ZnRa, or Mg-halide where Ra is alkyl or cycloalkyl and halide is halo.

33-40. (Canceled)